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## Protecting, Preventing, Providing

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A trooper presents a rose at the Maryland State Police Fallen Hero Memorial to honor one of the 43 troopers who died in the line of duty while serving the citizens of the state.

## Troopers, Deputy State Fire Marshal Honored At Annual Fallen Heroes

(PIKESVILLE, Md.) — Governor Larry Hogan joined Colonel William Pallozzi and police survivor families to honor state troopers who gave their lives in the line of duty at the annual Maryland State Police Fallen Heroes Ceremony.

The ceremony, held May 10th at State Police Headquarters, honored the 43 state troopers who made the ultimate sacrifice serving in Maryland, as well as two troopers killed while on active military duty in World War II and one fallen deputy chief state fire marshal.

Speakers included Governor Hogan, Colonel Pallozzi and Circuit Court Judge Mickey Norman, who served in the State Police from 1971 to 1983.

In addition to the families of Fallen Heroes, the event was attended by current and retired state troopers and deputy state fire marshals, all there to honor their fellow troopers and deputy fire marshal.

"We remember each of them as true heroes today not because of the way they died, but because of how they lived," Governor Hogan said.



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## PHOTOS: 2019 MSP Fallen Heroes Ceremony



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## Safety Tip of the Month

According to the Maryland Highway Safety Office, more than 120 unbelted drivers and passenger are killed each year in the state. In 2017, the use of seat belts in passenger vehicles saved an estimated 14,955 lives of occupants 5 and older nationally. From 2013–2017, seat belt use is estimated to have saved almost 70,000 lives. For more information on seat belt laws in Maryland, please visit <https://towardzerodeathsmd.com/seat-belts/>.



## MSP Increases Focus On Impaired Driving, Move Over, and Seat Belt Enforcement

(PIKESVILLE, MD) — With the summer travel season upon us, Maryland State Police have been involved in several initiatives designed to keep motorists safe on state roads.

Troopers conducted saturation patrols that focused on impaired, aggressive and distracted driving over both the Cinco de Mayo and Memorial Day weekends. This led to a combined 6,353 traffic stops and 107 arrests, while troopers also issued 4,483 citations and 4,072 warnings over those holidays.

In addition, troopers joined law

enforcement agencies across the region for the launch of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's "Click it or Ticket" campaign, which ran from May 20 to June 2.

Along with providing enforcement and education in regard to wearing your seat belt while driving, the initiative also worked to remind motorists of the importance of adhering to Maryland's Move Over laws and to serve as a reminder of the dangers first responders and work crews face while stopped on state roads.



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## Maryland State Police Announces Partnership With U.S. Army For Youth Success

(PIKESVILLE, MD) — Maryland State Police Superintendent Col. William M. Pallozzi was joined by Col. Amanda L. Iden, United States Army Battalion Commander, at a signing ceremony on May 9th to announce the PaYS Program, a new strategic partnership with the U.S. Army to connect soldiers to employment opportunities with “Maryland’s Finest.”



The U.S. Army PaYS Program provides soldiers a unique opportunity to simultaneously serve their country and prepare for their future. The program also provides the Maryland State Police another route to find interested and highly qualified applicants to join the Department.

“They’ve already proven the basic

skills they have and proven their potential for becoming a Maryland state trooper,” Col. Pallozzi said. “Our outstanding training staff will work to transition them from a warrior to a guardian.”

Through the PaYS Program, soldiers are guaranteed a job interview and possible

employment after their service in the Army. This program is part of a long-term U.S. Army effort to help soldiers forge professional relationships with businesses and encourage organizations to look to the Army as a plentiful and reliable recruiting source. Since PaYS began in 2000, more than 800 employers have partnered with the program.

“For our PaYS partners the program gives us access to our soldiers as they transition back to the civilian workforce,” Col. Iden said. “This means our partners can choose to hire from a pool of professionals with exceptional work habits who have also been held to the highest standards of conduct for several years.”



Maryland State Police Superintendent Col. William Pallozzi (right) joins U.S. Army Battalion Commander Col. Amanda L. Iden at a signing ceremony to announce the PaYS program.



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## MSP Collects More Than 1,900 Pounds Of Prescription Drugs During Take Back Day

(PIKESVILLE, MD) – The Maryland State Police, in partnership with the Drug Enforcement Administration, had citizens dispose of unwanted prescription drugs during the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, which took place April 27th.

State police barracks throughout Maryland participated in the National Drug Take Back Day with DEA and law enforcement agencies across the country. Each of the 23 State Police barracks was a collection station, giving citizens an opportunity to dispose of all unwanted and unused prescription drugs.

The National Prescription Drug Take Back Day aimed to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs, while also educating the public about the potential for abuse of medications.

Second only to marijuana, prescription drugs are the most commonly abused



drugs in the country. According to the Drug Enforcement Administration, the majority of teenagers abusing prescription drugs are finding an unlimited supply in their family's medicine cabinet.

The Maryland State Police have collected about 21,841 pounds of expired and unwanted prescription medications

combined through similar events since 2014. In last month's event, state police removed close to 1,944 pounds of prescription medications from circulation.

As part of Maryland's combined effort to reduce opioid abuse, Maryland State Police barracks across the state have become around-the-clock drop-off locations for unused prescription

medications. All 23 Maryland State Police barracks are now equipped with secure drug collection boxes and available around-the-clock for unused medication drop off.

No questions will be asked when deposits are made. Residents can locate the closest Maryland State Police barrack by visiting the state police website.

The Maryland State Police is a partner in the Opioid Operational Command Center, which facilitates collaboration between state and local public health, human services, education, and public safety entities to combat the heroin and opioid crisis and its deadly impact on Maryland communities.

Before It's Too Late is the state's effort to bring awareness to this epidemic—and to mobilize resources for effective prevention, treatment, and recovery.



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Trooper Sean McMachan, Tfc. Shareef Lewis and Tfc. Cody Riden (L to R) were recently honored by Maryland State Police Superintendent Col. William Pallozzi after returning from military service.

## Maryland State Police Welcome Home Troopers From Military Service

Maryland State Police Superintendent Col. William Pallozzi recently recognized three troopers who returned from active military duty.

Tfc. Cody Riden, who is assigned to the Salisbury Barrack and a member of the STATE Team joined the Army last year and shipped away to basic training and Infantry school in Fort Benning, Georgia. As a private first class, Tfc. Riden joins Cpl. Michael Bowie in the Maryland National Guard as a qualified U.S. Army Infantryman.

Trooper Sean McMachan, who is assigned to the Golden Ring Barrack, serves as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army Delaware National Guard. He attended the U.S. Army basic officer leader course for five months at Fort Lee, Virginia. He also assisted in the training of the 30th BDE Combat Team of the NCNG at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

His job was to prepare them for their upcoming deployment to the Middle East.

Tfc. Shareef Lewis, who is assigned to the Prince Frederick Barrack, serves as a technical sergeant in the U.S. Air Force Security Forces at McGuire AFB, New Jersey. He was deployed to Al Asad Air Base in Iraq and was in charge of operations and security at the base while deployed as part of Operation Inherent Resolve.

Col Pallozzi instituted welcome home ceremonies for sworn and civilian employees with the Maryland State Police when he became Superintendent in 2015. The ceremony is held for any member of the State Police who leaves on military orders for 30 days or more to serve their country.

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## Cumberland Barrack Participates In ‘Fish with a Cop’ Program



MSP Cumberland Barrack Commander, Lt. H.B. Martz, was among those who participated in the recent “Fish with a Cop” program.

(CUMBERLAND, MD) — Many people are familiar with various “Shop with a Cop” programs, when law enforcement officers take children in need shopping during the winter holiday season.

The Cumberland Valley Optimist Club sought to take that program to another level in the springtime. This led to the formation of the organization’s inaugural “Fish with a Cop” program.

Maryland State Police were joined by members of the Maryland Natural Resources Police and correctional officers from the Allegany County Detention Center on May 5th for the Fish with a Cop event in Western Maryland. Troopers volunteered to spend time with and teach youth in the community how to fish. The youth selected had little or no fishing experience.

After the children were done fishing, their catches of the day were then cleaned, cut and cooked in the grill or in an air fryer so they could enjoy their hard work. Each child also received their own fishing rod and reel and tackle box.

## Longtime Glen Burnie Barrack Volunteer Honored For Service

(GLEN BURNIE, Md.) — The Glen Burnie Barrack personnel, both present and past, wish to thank long time volunteer George Hartig for 22 years of faithful unpaid service to the barrack.

Hartig volunteered his services for over 12,000 hours over the years and has finally decided to retire to enjoy other opportunities. Hartig will surely be missed, but will

never be forgotten.

A celebration was held for Mr. George on April 24th when he received many well-deserved certificates from Gov. Larry Hogan, Maryland State Police Superintendent Col. William Pallozzi and state legislators. Mr. Hartig, thank you from the bottom of our hearts. May whatever you choose to do next bring you happiness and joy.



Volunteer In Police Service extraordinaire Mr. George Hartig and Lt. Tim Corbin.



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## PHOTOS : North East Barrack Open House



The Maryland State Police North East Barrack hosted its third annual open house on May 4th in Cecil County. The event was a way for troopers to connect with residents and teach others about the work done each day by the Maryland State Police. The event included free child seat inspections, demonstrations from the K9 Unit, crime scene technicians, motor units and others.



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